# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:203
ANSWERED ON:12.03.2001
DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD PROJECTS BY JOINT ADVISORY COUNCIL
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA;NEDURUMALLI JANARDHANA REDDY

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India, World Bank and Confederation of Indian Industries have formed a Joint Advisory Council to evaluate road development programmes of States and assess business opportunities for the international highway contracting agencies;

(b) if so, the strategy being adopted by the Joint Council to oversee the development of various road Projects;

(c) whether the Chinese and Malaysian highway contracting companies have been selected for various road projects ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the terms and conditions laid down for them to take over the projects?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (MAJOR GENERAL (RETI KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 203 TC ANSWERED ON 12.3.2001 ASKED BY SHRI N. JANARDHANA REDDY AND SHRI NARESH PUGLIA REGAI DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD PROJECTS BY JOINT ADVISORY COUNCIL.

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Seven contracts have been awarded by National Highways Authority of India in which Malaysian companies are involved.In six such contracts these companies have formed Joint Venture with Indian companies. No contract has so far been awarded to any Chinese company. The contracts are awarded following Competitive Biddingprocedures. The bidders are first pre-qualified on the basis of their experience, financial strength, equipment base and managerial capacity. The bids are invited only from pre-qualified bidders and selection is on the basis of competitive price offers. The criteria for pre-qualification of contractors are available at the Website of NHAI, http:\\www.nhai.org.